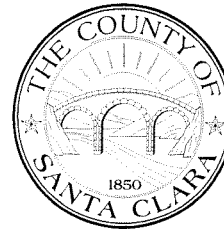


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SANTA CLARA COUNTY VOTERS URGED TO RESPOND TO LANGUAGE SURVEY

Preferred Voter Language Survey cards were mailed to over 700,000 registered voters in July. As of today, approximately 500,000 Santa Clara County voters still need to respond to indicate which one of five languages they prefer to receive future election materials (Chinese, Spanish, Tagalog, Vietnamese or English).

Previously, most voters received a bilingual sample ballot in English and Spanish, while others received them in either English and Vietnamese, English and Chinese, or English and Tagalog.

Sample ballots are no longer printed in a bilingual format. They are now printed in five separate languages: English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese, and Tagalog.

Voters who choose English as their preferred language will only receive sample ballots in English. Voters who choose Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese or Tagalog will receive materials in English and their preferred language. Voters who have not designated a specific language preference will now receive two sample ballots, one in English and their current alternate language.

The Registrar's Office will continue conducting the Preferred Language Survey on an on-going basis. Voters may change their preferred language at any time by completing a new survey card.

Voters who have not yet responded are encouraged to complete the survey as soon as possible to ensure that they receive future election materials in their preferred language. Completing the survey is quick and easy, and no postage is required to return it by mail.

Voters can also complete the survey at any time in the following ways:

- Call toll-free (866) 430-VOTE [8683] or one of the language assistance lines listed below:

Spanish: (408) 282-3095

Vietnamese: (408) 282-3097

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Chinese: (408) 282-3086
Tagalog: (408) 535-3916

- Print the survey from the Registrar's website, www.sccvote.org, and return it by mail or fax.
- Complete a survey card at the polls.
- Mark a preferred language on the absentee voter return envelope.

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